**HOUSE . . . . . . . No. 1529** 

By Mr. Nyman of Hanover, petition of Robert J. Nyman and others that consumers be granted the right of choice for collision repairs under the motor vehicle insurance laws. Financial Services.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PETITION OF:

Robert J. Nyman Barbara A. L'Italien Bruce E. Tarr Kathi-Anne Reinstein Donald F. Humason, Jr.

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO UNFAIR CLAIM SETTLEMENT PRACTICES IN A CONSUMER'S RIGHT TO CHOICE IN COLLISION AUTOMOBILE REPAIRS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 176D of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in Section 3, by adding a new
- 3 paragraph (o) to subsection (9) as follows:
- 4 (o) suggesting, requesting or directing, in writing or verbally,
- 5 directly or indirectly that any claimant or insured have repairs
- 6 made in, or not in, any specific repair shop, or list of shops as
- 7 authorized under M.G.L., Chapter 90, Section 34O.